

John Muller, Chair

SF Bay Regional Water Board

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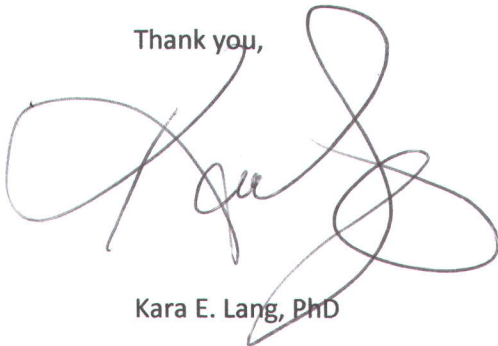
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Dear Mr. Muller,

The SF Bay is filled with trash, which destroys recreation, impacts water quality, and kills marine wildlife. It is estimated that by 2054 there will be no more viable marine wildlife left on the planet and by 2030 it is estimated that half of the world's population will be without a safe water supply. Five thousand children a day die from diarrhea alone. The Board's proposed permit to require cities and counties to meet a cleanup level of 100 pieces of trash for every 100 feet in the trash "hot spot" does not go far enough to protect our viable and invaluable resource from destruction and prevent disease. Our precious Bay deserves the highest levels of protection - 100% trash allowance has been implemented in the city of Berkeley and should be implemented County-wide. Please consider the adoption of a zero trash allowance to protect the resource from with life began and from which life subsists.

Please consider the future generations when adopting a trash allowance rule and prevent the destruction of our most precious asset – the SF Bay.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Kara E. Lang', with a large, stylized loop at the end.

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